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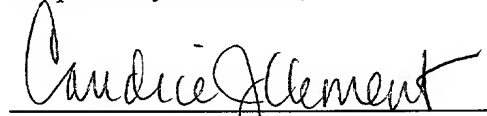
Dear Sir:

This paper is filed contemporaneously with a filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b). Prior to examination of this application, please amend the claims as follows:

Please cancel claims 2-31, without prejudice.

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Respectfully submitted,



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